

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, lines 7-21 as follows:

Further, the order suitable ~~to~~ for the generation of images by an image generation apparatus does not always match that suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device. If the information attached at the time of reception is used directly, the order of display will not be satisfactory. For example, when an orthopedist diagnoses images in the examination of the lumbar spine in four directions, he wants to view images in the order of front face, side face, right oblique and left oblique. However, radiographing is performed in the order of front face, right oblique, side face and left oblique suitable to ~~the shift~~ shifting of the ~~patent's~~ patient's body. Thus, when the image display device has determined the order of display according to the time of radiographing or image signal numbers, images are not arranged in the order desired by the orthopedist.

Please amend the paragraph at page 5, lines 9-18 as follows:

The aforementioned medical image processing apparatus specifies the order of the images, and corrects the information used to determine the order of display at the display terminal in such a way that the order of display will conform to that specified. Thus, it is possible to ~~remove the difference between~~ switch from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus at the source of reception ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device at the display terminal, and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, line 13, to page 7, line 4 as follows:

The aforementioned medical image processing apparatus sorts the displayed thumbnail or list, specifies the order of the images, and corrects the information used to determine the order of display at the display terminal in such a way that the order of display will conform to that specified by sorting. Thus, it is possible to ~~remove the difference between~~ switch from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus at the source of reception ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device at the display terminal, and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device. This feature ensures quick diagnosis and proper diagnosis in a manner that facilitates the doctor's diagnosis.

Please amend the paragraph at page 7, line 19 to page 8, line 13 as follows:

The aforementioned medical image processing apparatus specifies the information used to determine the order of display at the display terminal, and corrects the information used to determine the order of display so that the images are arranged in the order in which the permission of starting image output is given in the same examination, when the permission of starting image output to the display terminal has been specified. This makes it possible to ~~remove the difference between~~ switch from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus at the source of reception ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device at the display terminal, and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device. This feature ensures quick diagnosis and proper diagnosis in a manner that facilitates the doctor's diagnosis.

Please amend the paragraph at page 9, lines 5-21 as follows:

This medical image processing apparatus determines the order of the image requested from the aforementioned request information received, specifies the information used to determine the order of display at the display terminal, [[;]] and corrects the information used to determine the order of display so that images are arranged in the order specified by the aforementioned request information. This makes it possible to ~~remove the difference between~~ switch from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus at the source of reception ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device at the display terminal, and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device. This feature ensures quick diagnosis and proper diagnosis in a manner that facilitates the doctor's diagnosis.

Please amend the paragraph at page 11, lines 1-16 as follows:

This medical image processing apparatus presets the order of images in the condition file, specifies the information used to determine the order of display at the display terminal, and corrects the information used to determine the order of display so that images are arranged in the order specified by the condition file. This makes it possible to ~~remove the difference between~~ switch from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus at the source of reception ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device at the display terminal, and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device. This feature ensures quick diagnosis and proper diagnosis in a manner that facilitates the doctor's diagnosis.

Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 10-19 as follows:

This medical network system is capable of ~~removing the difference between~~ switching from the order suitable for generation of images by an image generation apparatus ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image reserving device or image display device and to display images in ~~an~~ a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device. This feature ensures quick diagnosis and proper diagnosis in a manner that facilitates the doctor's diagnosis.

Please amend the paragraph at page 16, lines 1-3 as follows:

Next, the following items A-H relating to medical image generating apparatus ~~[[2]]~~ 1 in Fig. 1 will be explained in detail successively.

Please amend the paragraph at page 17, lines 1-13 as follows:

As shown in Fig. 2, the image processing apparatus 2 further includes receiving section 40 that receives image files from image forming apparatuses 1 ~~and 1a~~, preserving section 41 that is composed of a hard disc or RAM and stores various pieces of information such as an order of received image files and output queue, image processing section 42 that conducts image processing for image information in the image files, output image forming section 43 that forms output images to be outputted to the outer apparatuses, and image confirming/processing section 45 that ~~makes~~ causes image display device 22 to display reduced images for confirmation of received images. Main control apparatus 21 controls each of sections 40-43, 45 and the display device 22.

Please amend the paragraph at page 18, lines 4-5 as follows:

6) To transmit output images to outer apparatuses such as image server 5 and printers ~~6-8~~ 6 and 7 through the network 10.

Please amend the paragraph at page 21, lines 3-4 as follows:

(e) Setting information concerning an outputting apparatus such as information of ~~imager~~ printer 6 and HOST information

Please amend the paragraph at page 23, lines 4-5 as follows:

This reduction image for display is used by data displayed on image display device 22 in ~~Fig. 3~~ Fig. 2.

Please amend the paragraph at page 28, lines 6-8 as follows:

2) Though a cue is made and controlled for each outer apparatus, plural printers ~~6-8~~ 6 and 7, for example, are sometimes controlled by one as will be stated later.

Please amend the paragraph at page 33, line 21 to page 34,
line 2 as follows:

The operator verifies the image and image attached
information ~~(patent/examination information)~~
(patient/examination information) (S25). If the [OK] button
is pressed on the screen (S26), permission of starting image
output is specified for the selected image (S27)

Please amend the paragraph at page 37, lines 5-11 as
follows:

When an image has been received from the image
generating apparatus 1 as a source of reception (S63), the
condition file corresponding to that image is selected
(S64), and the output format is determined. For example, in
the case of an image of "~~lumber~~ lumbar spine right oblique",
the ~~lumber~~ lumbar spine right oblique condition file is
selected and the "Third display" is determined.

Please amend the paragraph at page 37, lines 12-15 as follows:

Then the received image is given in the thumbnail or list display for each display (S65). The image is ~~elected~~ selected by clicking the thumbnail image or list line with a pointing device (S66).

Please amend the paragraph at page 37, lines 16-23 as follows:

The operator confirms the image and image attached information ~~(patent/examination information)~~ (patient/examination information) (S67). When the image is further selected (S68), the system goes back to step S66, and the same procedure is repeated. If image selection has terminated for each examination (S68) and the OK button has been pressed on the screen (S69), the permission of starting image output is specified for the selected image (S70).

Please amend the paragraph at page 38, line 21 to page 39,
line 7:

As described above, the embodiment of the present invention ~~removes the difference between~~ switches from the order suitable for generation of images by the image generation apparatus 1 ~~and that~~ to the order suitable ~~to~~ for the observation of images on the image display device 3. It also displays images in a proper order, without changing the order of generation by the image generating apparatus 1 (e.g. radiographing order) or the order of display by the image display device 3. This feature ensures quick the doctor's diagnosis.